Statement II

Annexture to Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No. 449 due for reply 1.3.96

Tool Kits supplied to rural artisans in the state of Assam

S.No.	Districts	Year	Target (In No.s)	No. of Tool Kits Supplied
1.	Goalpara	1992-93	2000	2425
2.	Barpeta	1992-93	2000	2000
3.	Dhemaji	1993-94	1300	1300
4.	Cachar	1993-94	1300	1300
5.	Nalbari	1993-94	1300	1793
6.	Sibsagar	1994-95	1300	892
7.	Sonitpur	1994-95	285	N.R.
8.	Dibrugarh	1994-95	285	N.R.
9.	Nagaon	1994-95	285	285
10.	Karbianglong	1994-95	205	N.R.
11.	Dhubri	1994-95	285	285
12.	Haliakandi	1994-95	285	285
13.	Darrang	1994-95	290	N.R.

N.R. Not reported by the state.

ग्रामीण क्षेत्र विकास कार्यक्रम

450. **श्री कनकसिंह मोहन सिंह मंगरोला:** क्या ग्रामीण क्षेत्र और रोजगार मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) चालू वित्त वर्ष के दौरान राजकोट महानगर पालिका के अंतर्गत किन-किन ग्रामीण क्षेत्रों के लिए सड़क तथा पेय-जल सुविधाओं की व्यवस्था करने हेतु ग्रामीण क्षेत्र विकास कार्यक्रम के अंतर्गत कुछ केन्द्रीय वित्तीय सहायता जारी करने का प्रस्ताव विचाराधीन है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है;

(ग) सरकार ने उक्त परियोजनाओं के लिए कुल कितनी केन्द्रीय वित्तीय सहायता स्वीकृत की है तथा जारी करने का निर्णय लिया है;

(घ) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(ङ) यदि नहीं, तो इसके क्या कारण है?

ग्रामीण क्षेत्र और रोजगार मंत्रालय (ग्रामीण विकास विभाग) में राज्य मंत्री (श्री उत्तमभाई एच० पटेल): (क) से (ङ) केन्द्रीय निधियां विभिन्न राज्यों के ग्रमीण क्षेत्र में ग्रमीण विकास कार्यक्रमों के कार्यान्वयन हेतु जारी की जाती है।

Salary Scale of Imams

451. SHRI K.R. MALKANI: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to State;

(a) the salary scale of Imams in Punjab;

(b) the salary scales of Imams in other States;

(c) the proposed salary scale for the other States;

(d) whether the shortfall in the revenues for Wakf Boards will be made up by the states or the Centre;

(e) if so, the details thereof and if not, how the enhanced payment to the Imams is proposed to be made; and

(f) whether Government has any plan or project to raise the emoluments of those working in and for Mandirs, Gurudwaras and Churches , to bring the same at per with the proposed salary scale of Immams?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI SITARAM KESRI): (a) Scales of remuneration provided by the Punjab Wakf Board to the Imams of Mosques registered with it are as follows:

	Scale	Medical Allowance
Imam Alim	Rs.1000-15-1150-20-1350-25-1600	Rs.30/-
Imam Hafiz	Rs.950-15-1100-20-1300-25-1550	Rs.30/-
Imam Nazirah	Rs.850-15-1000-20-1200-25-1400	Rs.30/-
Moazin	Rs.800-15-950- -1150-25-1400	Rs.30/-

(b) According to the information available, no State Govt. has prescribed any salary scale for the Imams.

Payment to Imams, if any, is made either by the Mutawallis or by the Wakf Boards.

(c) In pursuance of the direction of the Supreme Court that Union of India and the Central Wakf Boards (Council) should frame a scheme for payment of remuneration to Imams, a scheme has been framed and filed before the Supreme Court.

The scheme will be implemented by the State Wakf Boards.

(d) and (e) The responsibility for implementation of the scheme lies with State Wakf Boards which shall harness necessary resources in accordance with the powers and responsibilities vested with them under the provisions of the Wakf Law for the time being in force to implement the scheme.

No funding either through the Centre or the State Governments is envisaged for this purpose.

(f) No, Sir.

Import of Urea

452. SHRI S.S. SURJEWALA: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to State;

(a) whether it is a fact that in view of the decrease in the value of the Indian rupee, the import of urea is going to decrease resulting in the scarcity of urea during this year;

(b) if so, the steps Government propose to take to overcome the shortage of the Urea in the country; and

(c) the programme framed for the import of urea and other varieties of fertilizers during the current year together with the amount of subsidy allocated for the purpose?

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI RAM LAKHAN SINGH YADAV): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Question does not arise.